Executive Forum "Rebranding CICP"

Colorado Indigent Care Program

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Our Mission

Improving health care access and outcomes for the people we serve while demonstrating sound stewardship of financial resources

Objectives

- Progress update since last Executive Forum
- Exchange ideas for preserving CICP as a safety net while transforming the program through:
 - > CICP policy changes
 - > Financial restructuring
- Set policy course for next six months

CICP 2013-14 Statistics Update

CICP Clinic Providers

- > 66,996 unique clients
- > Decrease of 17,219 clients, 20% decrease over 2012-13
- > \$6,059,760 in funding No change in funding level

CICP Hospital Providers

- > 93,200 unique clients
- > Decrease of 31,034 clients, 25% decrease over 2012-13
- > \$308,469,011 in funding Increase of \$9,293,587, or 3.1%, over 2012-13.

Progress Update

- Creation of Policy Change Status Sheet
- CICP financial eligibility requirements
 - > Equity threshold for vehicles will increase to \$7,500
 - > Deduction for medical expenses under discussion
 - Rejected notion to increase income eligibility threshold to 400% FPL
- CICP policy changes
 - Positive sentiment to allow write-off of dental services.
 Continued discussion on details.

Comments on Updates



CICP Policy Changes

<u>Policy Goal</u>: Encourage utilization of subsidized health insurance while preserving the CICP safety net.

Three Policy Options for Consideration:

- 1. Require private insurance
- 2. Uninsured limited to emergency/urgent services
- 3. Must use insurance network for nonemergency care

Require Private Health Insurance to Be Eligible for CICP

Favorable Aspects

- Patients can receive all services allowed within insurance policy
- Providers have a guarantee of reimbursement for services
 - > Larger reimbursement than CICP or Medicaid
 - > Coverage can be verified more efficiently

Drawbacks

- Patient may not maintain insurance beyond financial screening
- Provider must verify insurance prior to performing services
- More costly for the patient
- Patient left with no health discount if insurance policy lapses
- Even with subsidies, health insurance is unaffordable for many

Uninsured Limited to Emergency/Urgent Services

Favorable Aspects

- Encourages CICP clients to obtain health insurance
- CICP remains available as a safety net

Drawbacks

Primary and preventative care needs may go unmet

Insured Must Go In-Network for Non-Emergency Care

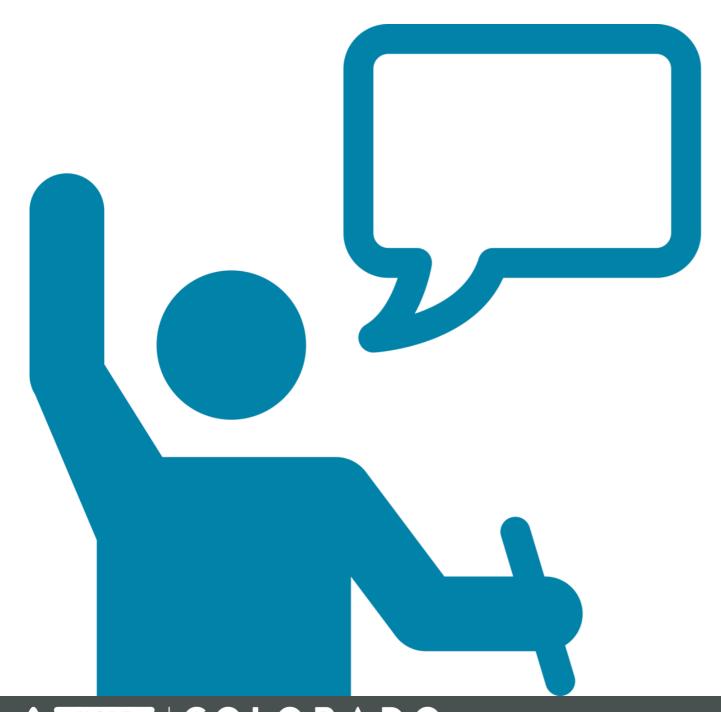
Favorable Aspects

 Encourages utilization of health insurance networks and benefits

Drawbacks

Reduces CICP charges eligible for write-off

Discussion on Possible CICP Policy Changes



Next Steps for CICP Policy Changes

Based on today's discussion, our next steps are. . .

Financial Restructuring

<u>Policy Goal</u>: Efficiently provide services to eligible clients, do not harm providers financially, and simplify administration of the CICP.

Three Policy Options for Consideration

- 1. Create a Medicaid Buy-In for CICP Clients
- 2. Create a Health Insurance Buy-In for CICP Clients
- 3. Create a Grant Program for CICP Providers

Medicaid Buy-In

Favorable Aspects

- Eligible clients will receive full Medicaid benefits
- Providers have a guarantee of reimbursement for services
- Allows more Coloradans access to Medicaid
- Eliminates CICP financial screening process
- Provider can verify eligibility through tools currently in place

<u>Drawbacks</u>

- Increase in Medicaid eligibility caseload for counties and MA sites
- Will require CMS approval of a waiver
- Will require State legislation and regulation changes
- Not financially viable under current CICP funding levels

Health Insurance Buy-In

Favorable Aspects

- Patients can receive all services allowed within insurance policy
- Providers have a guarantee of reimbursement for services
 - Greater reimbursement than CICP or Medicaid
 - Coverage can be verified more efficiently
- Eliminates screening for CICP

<u>Drawbacks</u>

- Will require federal waiver from CMS
- Will require State legislation and regulation changes
- Not enough CICP dollars to sustain coverage
- Where is the safety net for those who cannot afford deductibles

CICP Grant Program

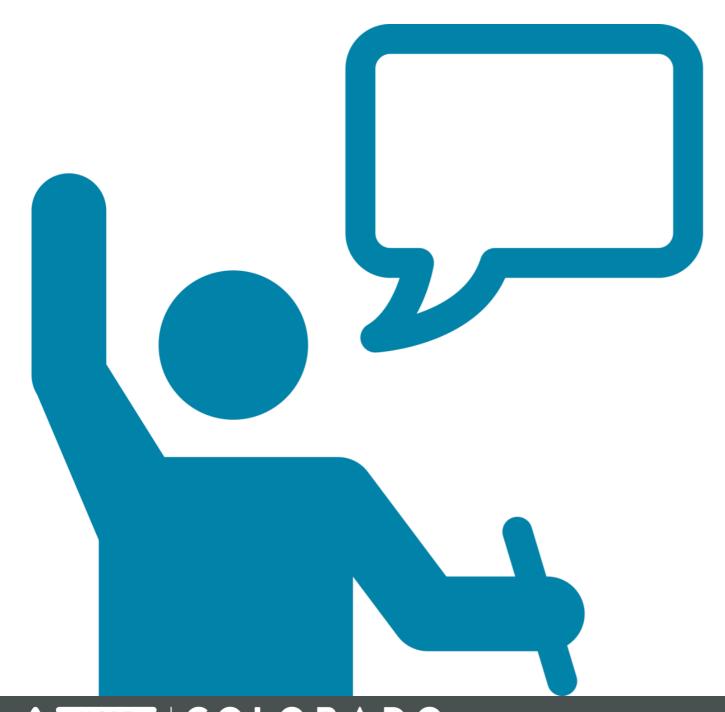
Favorable Aspects

- Broad policies set by the Department; administrative policies and procedures developed by provider
 - > Department involved at high level, not individual case circumstances
- > Providers are in control of how dollars are spent
- > Departmental oversight and reporting likely simplified
- > Funding known in advance

Drawbacks

- > Likely inconsistencies among providers
- > Possibly creates limitations to access to care
- > Will require legislation and regulation changes

Discussion on Financial Restructuring



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Thank You! See you in October.